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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 OF THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION

Sir:

Enclosed, please find an executed PTO/SB/30 transmittal form for the filing of a request for continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. 1.114. Also enclosed is a request for a two-month extension of time up to and including the date of August 19, 2002 and a form PTO-2038 credit card payment in the amount of \$570.00 (\$370.00 + \$200.00) in payment of the filing fee for the request for continued examination and for the two-month time extension fee. The applicant qualifies as a small entity. Please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account 10-0210.

Applicant's attorney, Carl L. Johnson, certifies that the present application is being deposited with the United States Postal Service by Express Mail, Express Mailing No. **ET312781479US** in an envelope addressed to: BOX RCE, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 August 8, 2002. Under the provisions of 1.10 and 1.53, the applicant request the application be given the filing date of August 8, 2002.

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